

Key acts and ordinances entering into force around the second half of 2023



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Introduction

This compilation contains a selection of the acts and ordinances – both new and amended – that enter into force in the second half of 2023 or some time thereafter.

Acts and ordinances set out the ground rules that govern our society. To enact a new law, the Government submits a legislative proposal (a government bill) to the Riksdag. After the government bill has been considered by one of the parliamentary committees, it is put to the Riksdag for approval. Once the law has been adopted, it is formally promulgated by the Government, meaning it is published and made known. The Government can adopt a new ordinance on its own, without submitting it to the Riksdag.

Acts and ordinances are published in the Swedish Code of Statutes (SFS). As of April 2018, the SFS is published electronically on www.svenskforfattningssamling.se. Each act and ordinance has a unique SFS number.

More information about government bills, acts and ordinances is available (in Swedish) on www.lagrummet.se. The ‘Lagrummet’ portal is the public administration’s common website for legal information and contains links to legal information from the Government, the Riksdag, the courts and central government agencies.

The legislative process is described in the section ‘How Sweden is governed’ on www.government.se.

This compilation can be downloaded from www.government.se. At the time of publication, some acts had not yet been assigned an SFS number. This applies to numbers ending with ‘000’ (e.g. 2020:000).

Information on Swedish legislation

Lagrummet: www.lagrummet.se

The Government and Government Offices website: www.government.se

The Government Offices Office legal databases:

<http://rkrattsbaser.gov.se>

The Swedish Riksdag website: www.riksdagen.se

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There are no acts entering into force around the second half of 2023 in the areas of responsibility of the Prime Minister's Office.

Ministry of Employment

The Ministry of Employment is responsible for issues and matters concerning the labour market, labour law and the work environment. The Ministry is also responsible for issues concerning integration, anti-segregation and work on gender equality. Moreover, the Ministry is responsible for the work of advancing human rights at national level, to strengthen the rights of LGBTIQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer) people and efforts to combat racism and discrimination.

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New government grants for women's and girls' organisations

New ordinance: Förordning (2023:168) om statsbidrag för kvinnors och flickors organisering

SFS: 2023:168

Entry into force: 3 May 2023

Ministry of Finance

The Ministry of Finance is responsible for issues concerning central government finances, including coordination of the central government budget, forecasts and analyses, tax issues, and management and administration of central government activities. The Ministry is also responsible for matters concerning financial markets, municipalities and regions, public procurement, state-owned enterprises, digitalisation and consumer legislation.

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A simpler and clearer chemicals tax

Amendments: Lag om ändring i lagen (2016:1067) om skatt på kemikalier i viss elektronik

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:1 *Budgetpropositionen för 2023*

SFS: 2022:1774

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

New Value Added Tax Act

New act: Mervärdesskattelagen (2023:200)

New ordinance: Mervärdesskatteförordningen (2023:328)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:46 *Ny mervärdesskattelag*

SFS: 2023:200, 2023:328

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Higher ceiling for deductions from employers' social security contributions for people working in research or development

Amendments: Socialavgiftslagen (2000:980)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:79 *Nedsättningen av arbetsgivaravgifterna för personer som arbetar med forskning eller utveckling – höjt tak för avdraget*

SFS: 2023:347

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Temporary tax exemption for benefits of workplace charging of electric vehicles

Amendments: Inkomstskattelagen (1999:1229)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:84 *Tillfällig skattefribet för förmån av laddel på arbetsplatsen*

SFS: 2023:345, 2023:346

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Strengthened coordination number system

New act: Lag (2022:1697) om samordningsnummer

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:276 *Stärkt system för samordningsnummer*

SFS: 2022:1697

Entry into force: 1 September 2023

Measures to ensure a sound and secure gaming market

Amendments: Spellagen (2018:1138), and spelförordningen (2018:1475)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:33 *Åtgärder för att säkerställa en sund och säker spelmarknad*, and Ds 2021:29 *Åtgärder mot matchfixning och olicensierad spelverksamhet*

SFS: 2023:309 and 2023:310

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Provision that overrides secrecy for disclosure of technical processing or technical storage of data

Amendments: Offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:97 *Sekretessgenombrott vid utlämnande för teknisk bearbetning eller teknisk lagring av uppgifter*

SFS: 2023:335

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Ministry of Defence

The Ministry of Defence is responsible for issues concerning Sweden's military defence, coordination of civil defence and crisis preparedness, and protection against accidents. The Ministry's strategic planning includes international operations and security-building activities, which the agencies are instructed to implement and follow up.

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Expanded possibilities to adopt exemptions from the Defence and Security Procurement Act, with regard to Sweden's essential security interests

Amendments: Lagen (2011:1029) om upphandling på försvars- och säkerhetsområdet

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:93 *Utökade möjligheter att besluta om undantag från lagen om upphandling på försvars- och säkerhetsområdet med hänsyn till Sveriges väsentliga säkerhetsintressen*

SFS: 2023:253

Entry into force: 1 June 2023

Increased daily allowance for officer candidates

Amendments: Officersförordningen (2007:1268)

SFS: 2023:140

Entry into force: 2 May 2023

Amended permit responsibility and supervisory responsibility in the National Defence Radio Establishment's handling of flammable and explosive products

Amendments: Lagen (2010:1011) om brandfarliga och explosiva varor, and förordningen (2010:1075) om brandfarliga och explosiva varor

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:87 *Säkerhetsprövning av*

totalförsvarspliktiga m.m.

SFS: 2023:391

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Ministry of Rural Affairs and Infrastructure

The Ministry of Rural Affairs and Infrastructure is responsible for matters relating to rural areas, food and land- and water-based industries, regional development, transport and infrastructure, and housing and community planning.

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Duty for veterinarians to report details when antimicrobial medicines are administered

Amendments: Lag (2009:302) om verksamhet inom djurens hälso- och sjukvård, and other acts and ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:13 *Förbättrad övervakning av antibiotikaanvändning för behandling av djur*

SFS: 2023:89–92 and 96–105

Entry into force: 1 April 2023

Measures to improve road safety and reduce the environmental impact of A tractors (cars that are converted into tractors)

Amendments: Förordning om ändring i trafikförordningen (1998:1276), and förordning om ändring i förordningen (2022:1396) om ändring i trafikförordningen (1998:1276)

Basis for decision: Transportstyrelsens rapport *Uppdrag att utreda regler för A-traktorer*

SFS: 2023:000, 2023:000

Entry into force: 31 August 2023

Measures to introduce U-space in Sweden and to enable drones to operate in Swedish airspace

Amendments: Förordning (2022:1845) om ändring i förordningen (2010:184) med instruktion för Luftfartsverket, and Förordning (2023:226)

om ändring i förordningen (1986:172) om luftfartygsregistret m.m.

Basis for decision: Promemorian *Uppgifter i operatörsregistret ska få användas vid tillämpningen av regelverket för U-space* (dnr I2022/02300)

SFS: 2022:1845, 2023:226

Entry into force: 1 February 2023 and 1 June 2023

The option of fixed-term building permits is extended

Amendments: lag om ändring i lagen (2017:267) om ändring i plan- och bygglagen (2010:900)

Basis for decision: Betänkandet *Ett nytt regelverk för bygglagen*, SOU 2021:47

SFS: 2023:173

Entry into force: 12 April 2023

Ministry of Justice

The Ministry of Justice is responsible for the authorities in the judicial system, including the Swedish Police, the public prosecution service, the courts and the Swedish Prison and Probation Service. The Ministry is also responsible for migration issues. Legislation in the areas of constitutional and general administrative law, civil law, procedural law, criminal law, and migration and asylum law are also within the Ministry's areas of responsibility.

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A specific criminal provision for participation in a terrorist organisation is introduced

Amendments: Terroristbrottslagen (2022:666), rättegångsbalken, and lagen (2007:979) om åtgärder för att förhindra vissa särskilt allvarliga brott

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:73 *En särskild straffbestämmelse för deltagande i en terroristorganisation*

SFS: 2023:227–229

Entry into force: 1 June 2023

Amendments resulting from the EU's new Rail Passenger Regulation

Amendments: Lagen (2014:1344) med kompletterande bestämmelser till EU:s tåg-, fartygs och busspassagerarförordningar, and the associated ordinance of the same name. Also amendments to lagen (2015:953) om kollektivtrafikresenärers rättigheter och följdändringar i järnvägstrafiklagen (2018:181), paketreselagen (2018:1217), förordningen (2015:739) med instruktion för Allmänna reklamationsnämnden, and

järnvägsmarknadsförordningen (2022:416).

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:72 *EU:s nya tågpassagerarförordning*

SFS: 2023:263–269

Entry into force: 7 June 2023

New regulations on publication of large multinational companies' income tax reports

New act: Lag om offentliggörande av vissa stora företags inkomstskatterapporter

New ordinance: Förordning om offentliggörande av vissa stora företags inkomstskatterapporter

Amendments: Lagen (1992:160) om utländska filialer m.m., revisionslagen (1999:1079), and aktiebolagslagen (2005:551)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:88 *Ökad transparens för stora företags skattebetalningar*

SFS: 2023:000

Entry into force: 22 June 2023

Improved measures when children are suspected of crimes

Amendments: Rättegångsbalken, lagen (1964:167) med särskilda bestämmelser om unga lagöverträdare, and socialtjänstlagen (2001:453)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:78 *Förbättrade åtgärder när barn misstänks för brott*

SFS: 2023:311–313

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Municipalities are given responsibility for crime prevention activities

New act: Lag om kommuners ansvar för brottsförebyggande arbete

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:43 *Kommuners ansvar för brottsförebyggande arbete*

SFS: 2023:196

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Stricter penalties for offences committed in criminal networks

Amendments: Rättegångsbalken, brottsbalken, narkotikastrafflagen (1968:64), and others.

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:53 *Skärpta straff för brott i kriminella nätverk*

SFS: 2023:256–262

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Abolished permit requirement for public dance events not held in public places

Amendments: 2 kap. 4 § ordningslagen (1993:1617)

Basis for decision: Ds 2018:20 *Tillstånd till offentlig danstillställning*, and Govt Bill 2022/23:67 *Avskaffat krav på tillstånd för offentlig danstillställning på plats som inte är offentlig*

SFS: 2023:000

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Implementation of amendments to the Firearms Directive

Amendments: Vapenlagen (1996:67), lagen (1992:1300) om krigsmateriel, offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400), lagen (2010:1011) om brandfarliga och explosiva varor, förordningen (1992:1303) om krigsmateriel, and vapenförordningen (1996:70)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:102 *Genomförande av ändringarna i vapendirektivet*

SFS: 2023:000

Entry into force: Primarily 1 July 2023

Strengthened integrity and improved security at the National Board of Forensic Medicine

New act: Lag om Rättsmedicinalverkets hantering av humanbiologiskt material

New ordinance: Förordning om Rättsmedicinalverkets hantering av humanbiologiskt material

Amendments: Lagen (1991:1137) om rättspsykiatrisk undersökning, offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400), and other acts

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:82 *Rättsmedicinalverkets hantering av humanbiologiskt material*

Amendments: 2023:281–286

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Tougher approach to crimes against journalists and certain other useful social functions

Amendments: Brottsbalken, and other acts

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:106 *Skärpt syn på brott mot journalister och vissa andra samhällsnyttiga funktioner*

SFS: 2023:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2023

The police are given greater powers in locations close to the border

New act: Lag om polisiära befogenheter i gränsnära områden

New ordinance: Förordning om polisiära befogenheter i gränsnära områden

Amendments to acts: Utlänningslagen (2005:716), kamerabevakningslagen (2018:1200), lagen (2018:1693) om polisens behandling av personuppgifter inom brottsdatalagens område, and lagen (2018:1694) om Tullverkets behandling av personuppgifter inom brottsdatalagens område

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:109 *Utökade polisiära befogenheter i gränsnära områden*

SFS: 2023:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2023

Ministry of Climate and Enterprise

The Ministry of Climate and Enterprise is responsible for matters related to the climate, the environment, energy, enterprise and innovation. The Ministry is also responsible for radiation safety and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and is working to ensure the transition to a circular economy.

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Reviews of environmental permits for hydroelectric power plants are paused

Amendments: Förordningen (1998:1388) om vattenverksamheter

Basis for decision: Promemoriam *Paus av omprövning för moderna miljövillkor* (dnr M2022/02251)

SFS: 2023:4

Entry into force: 30 January 2023

The climate bonus is phased out

Amendments: Förordningen (2017:1334) om klimatbonusbilar, and other ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:1 *Budgetpropositionen för 2023*

SFS: 2023:25–27

Entry into force: 28 February 2023 and 1 April 2024

Ban on carrying fuel that contains sulphur on ships

Amendments: Svavelförordningen (2014:509), and other ordinances

Basis for decision: Promemorian *Förbud mot att medföra visst svavelhaltigt marint bränsle ombord på fartyg* (dnr M2020/01567)

SFS: 2023:127–128

Entry into force: 1 May 2023

Producer responsibility for cars and tyres

New ordinance: Förordning om producentansvar för bilar, and förordning om producentansvar för däck

Amendments: Förordningen (1998:940) om avgifter för prövning och tillsyn enligt miljöbalken, and other ordinances

Basis for decision: Promemorian *Producentansvar för bilar respektive däck* (dnr M2021/02115), and promemorian *Regummering inom producentansvaret för däck* (dnr M2021/02115)

SFS: 2023:132–139gh

Entry into force: 1 May 2023 and 1 January 2024

The Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management is the authority directing supervision

Amendments: Förordningen (2007:701) om allmänna vattentjänster

Basis for decision: Betänkandet *Vägar till hållbara vattentjänster*, SOU 2018:34

SFS: 2023:195

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

New regulations on supply of electricity and aggregation services

New ordinances: Förordning (2023:241) om det nationella elsystemet, and förordning (2023:242) om leverans av el och aggregeringstjänster

Amendments: Ellagen (1997:857), and other acts and ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:59 *Genomförande av elmarknadsdirektivet när det gäller leverans av el och aggregeringstjänster*

SFS: 2023:238–250

Entry into force: 1 June 2023

Provisions on storage of gas

Amendments: Naturgaslagen (2005:403), and other acts and ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:89 *Kompletterande bestämmelser till EU:s gaslagringsförordning*

SFS: 2023:381–385

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

New grant for energy efficiency in semi-detached houses

New ordinance: Förordning om bidrag för energieffektivisering i småhus

Basis for decision: Promemorian *Förslag till förordning om bidrag till energieffektivisering i småhus* (dnr KN2023/02548)

SFS: 2023:402

Entry into force: 3 July 2023

Ministry of Culture

The Ministry of Culture is responsible for issues concerning culture, democracy, media, the national minorities, and the language and culture of the Sami people.

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Conditions on content for public service broadcasting on the internet

Amendments: Radio- och tv-lagen (2010:696)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:83 *Innehållsvillkor för public service på internet*

SFS: 2023:275

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Ministry of Health and Social Affairs

The Ministry of Health and Social Affairs is responsible for issues concerning social welfare, including public health, health care and care of older people. The Ministry's areas of responsibility also include social insurance, which provides financial security to people when they are sick or elderly, or when their children are young. Issues concerning individual and family care, support for people with disabilities and care of older people are also included. In addition, the Ministry works on rights for people with disabilities and on issues related to the premium pension system. It is also responsible for issues concerning sport, youth policy, civil society, faith communities, and burial and cremation services.

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The temporary extra child allowance for families with children receiving housing allowance is extended and increased

Amendments to acts: Socialförsäkringsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:99 *Värändringsbudget för 2023*

SFS: 2023:000

Ikraftträdande: 1 July 2023

The Biobanks Act is expanded and clarified

New act: Mervärdesskattelagen (2023:38)

New ordinance: Biobanksförordningen (2023:43)

Amendments: Lagen (2003:460) om etikprövning av forskning som avser människor, lagen (2006:351) om genetisk integritet m.m., offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400), patientlagen (2014:821), förordningen (2007:1068) med instruktion för Överklagandenämnden för etikprövning, and offentlighets- och sekretessförordningen (2009:641)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:257 *En ny biobankslag*

SFS: 2023:38-44 and 297

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

'Licensed practical nurse' becomes a protected professional title

Amendments: Lagen (1993:387) om stöd och service till vissa funktionshindrade, socialtjänstlagen (2001:453), and patientsäkerhetslagen (2010:659)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:175 *Stärkt kompetens i vård och omsorg – reglering av undersköterskeyrket*

SFS: 2021:737–239

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Reduced age limit for open measures for children

Amendments: Socialtjänstlagen (2001:453)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:64 *En sänkt åldersgräns för öppna insatser till barn utan vårdnadshavarens samtycke*

SFS: 2023:292

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Amended sanctions for those who fail to register activities with the Healthcare Provider Register

Amendments: Patientsäkerhetslagen (2010:659)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:260 *Ökad kontroll i hälso- och sjukvården*

SFS: 2023:36

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Benchmark pension age for 2029 set at 67

New ordinance: Förordning (2023:323) om riktålder för pension för år 2029

Basis for decision: 2 kap. 10 a–10 c §§ socialförsäkringsbalken, Govt Bill 2018/19:133 *En riktålder för höjda pensioner och följsamhet till ett längre liv*

SFS: 2023:323

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Measures that strengthen supply preparedness of health care products

Amendments: Lagen (2009:366) om handel med läkemedel, offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400), läkemedelslagen (2015:315), and hälso- och sjukvårdslagen (2017:30)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:45 *Vissa frågor om hälso- och sjukvårdens försörjningsberedskap*

SFS: 2023:188–191

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

The Regulation on digital COVID certificates ceases to apply

Basis for decision: Europaparlamentets och rådets förordning (EU) 2021/953 av den 14 juni 2021 om en ram för utfärdande, kontroll och godtagande av interoperabla intyg om vaccination mot, testning för och tillfrisknande från covid-19 (EU:s digitala covidintyg) för att underlätta fri rörlighet under covid-19-pandemin, och förordning 2021/954

SFS: 2022:1103

Ministry of Education and Research

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New government grants for behavioural intervention schools, specialist teachers and school health and welfare services

New ordinance: Förordning om statsbidrag för personalkostnader för akutskolor, speciallärare och elevhälsan

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:1 *Budgetpropositionen för 2023*

SFS: 2023:117

Entry into force: 12 April 2023

Social support teams in schools to work with pupils with high rates of absence

New ordinance: Förordning om statsbidrag för personalkostnader för skolsociala team

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:1 *Budgetpropositionen för 2023*

SFS: 2023:179

Entry into force: 10 May 2023

Municipalities to allow people who have fled from Ukraine to take part in education in Swedish for Immigrants

Amendments: Förordningen (2011:1108) om vuxenutbildning

SFS: 2023:222

Entry into force: 1 June 2023

New continuing education grants for teachers and preschool teachers

New ordinance: Förordning om statsbidrag för fortbildning av lärare och förskollärare

SFS: 2023:144

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Requirements for folk high schools when 'licensed practical nurse' becomes a protected professional title

Amendments: Förordning om ändring i förordningen (2015:218) om statsbidrag till folkbildningen

Basis for decision: Promemorior *Krav på folkhögskolorna när undersköterska blir en skyddad yrkestitel* (dnr U2022/03863)

SFS: 2023:289

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Dimensioning of upper secondary education to improve skills supply

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:159 *Dimensionering av gymnasial utbildning för bättre kompetensförsörjning*

SFS: 2022:1089

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Better access to textbooks and teacher's guides

New ordinance: Förordning (2023:86) om statsbidrag för inköp av vissa läromedel

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:1 *Budgetpropositionen för 2023*

SFS: 2023:86

Entry into force: 3 April 2023

Name changes for compulsory school for pupils with learning disabilities, upper secondary school for pupils with learning disabilities and municipal adult education as special training

Amendments: Lag om ändring i skollagen (2010:800)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:162 *Elevhälsa och stärkt utbildning för elever med intellektuell funktionsnedsättning*

SFS: 2022:1315

Entry into force: 2 July 2023

Changes to secondary school national programmes and subjects

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2022/23:94 *Några ändringar som rör gymnasieskolans nationella program och ämnen m.m.*

SFS: 2023:354

Entry into force: 15 July 2023

Checks including random body searches in connection with the Swedish Scholastic Aptitude Test

New act: Lag om in- och utpasseringskontroller vid högskoleprovet

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:155 *In- och utpasseringskontroller vid högskoleprovet*

SFS: 2022:1011

Entry into force: 1 July 2023

Ministry for Foreign Affairs

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs is responsible for Sweden's relations with other countries and international organisations, and for development cooperation policy and international trade policy. Together, the Ministry and approximately 100 missions abroad make up the Swedish Foreign Service.

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There are no acts entering into force around the second half of 2023 in the areas of responsibility of the Ministry for Fo